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TO : Acting Chief, Industrial Division

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FROM : Chief, Guided Missile Branch

SUBJECT: Monthly Report, May 1959

1. Support to Other Agencies and Components:

- a. The branch continued its support to EE Division, DD/P in an attempt to improve the coordination and handling of reports of guided missile sightings in East Germany. A principal effort during the month was an exploration of means by which [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] This resulted in the establishment of a bi-weekly report to headquarters from [REDACTED] incorporating an evaluation of recent reports by the inter-Agency working group on guided missiles, ICC(G), together with [REDACTED] findings bearing on these reports, if any. The first of the bi-weekly reports was received at the end of May and appeared to be a distinct improvement over earlier reports, both in timeliness and breadth of coverage.

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- b. Two external briefings were prepared and presented by members of the branch. Both were acknowledge by formal letters of appreciation from the groups concerned. On 13 May, [REDACTED] briefed the Army Intelligence School, Fort Holabird, on "Collection of Information on the Production and Deployment of Guided Missiles". On 14 May, Chief, I/GM, briefed CINCNORAD, General Partridge, [REDACTED] and about 30 senior NORAD officers on "Soviet Guided Missile Production".
- c. [REDACTED] briefed the CIA Guided Missiles Forum on "Soviet Guided Missile Deployment in East Germany", and "Surface-to-Air Missile Storage Facilities in the Moscow SAM System", respectively.
- d. Efforts to improve and expand the collection of information from foreign nationals repatriated from the USSR continues, and has resulted in agreements to assign

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[redacted] to assist in the exploitation program aimed at [redacted] This brings to two the number of I/GM analysts assigned full time in [redacted] to assist this program. In addition to [redacted] a potentially similar program is under review in [redacted] relating to [redacted] largely at the initiative of I/GM, [redacted] St/I, is being assigned TDY [redacted] to provide immediate substantive support and survey the potential of these sources for supplying information against current critical intelligence gaps.

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[redacted] has been receiving intensive briefing in the branch on the status of knowledge and current intelligence problems in the missile production and deployment fields. It is expected that [redacted] 25X1A9a will concentrate on the guided missile problem when assigned to [redacted]

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f. The branch prepared a critique of a position paper "Evidence of Soviet Missiles in East Germany" prepared by the Special USIB Committee on the Berlin Situation. This paper was submitted to I/GM immediately prior to its approval by the Special Committee. Inasmuch as the article presented evidence accumulated over an eight-month period, with the most recent date of information March 1959, it was requested that publication be delayed briefly to permit proper evaluation. This could not be arranged with the result that the published article was both inaccurate factually and misleading in tone. Steps are being taken to insure that in the future adequate time is allowed for the branch to review publications dealing with Soviet guided missile production or deployment which the Committee wishes to have co-ordinated by ORR.

g. Briefings of SR/DD/P field and headquarters personnel is continuing. In addition, special discussions on collection of missile production and deployment information were held with [redacted] Requirements Staff, and [redacted] These latter discussions particularly were fruitful and as a result it appears that "bonus" information of interest to the branch may be forthcoming on an increased scale. 25X1A9a 25X1A9a

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- h. During May some returns were received to a co-ordinated effort made through several collection channels to collect priority military information on May Day parades not only in Moscow but a number of provincial centers as well. Although reports so far indicate a distinct Soviet effort throughout the USSR to exclude military hardware from these parades, a great deal of very valuable planning experience has been gained which will be useful in continued concerted efforts to exploit this type collection program.

2. Status of Projects:

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- ✓ a. The tempo of Project [REDACTED] (Project 37.2494) increased during May with some 35 source assessments received from the field. Five sources of exceptional interest to the branch were briefed in Washington. Three of these were experts in the field of guided missiles. Summaries of open material related to Soviet destinations of GM interest are being prepared by D/GP and OCR/IR. These should prove of great value in developing [REDACTED]

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- ✓ b. As a supplement to the 1959 NESC Project (Project 37.2482), the branch prepared at the request of ONE a set of tables providing representative costs and production schedules consistent with the recently approved USIB response to the NESC's request.
- ✓ c. Continued work and consultation on NIE 11-8-59 (Project 30.2603) was carried out through various meetings with ONE, Air Force and Army personnel, respectively. The unexpectedly short deadline for the initial ORR contribution to ONE on this project will necessitate a major effort by many segments of the branch during much of June.
- ✓ d. Work is underway and a number of GMAIC meetings have been attended in connection with NIE 11-5-59 (Project 30.2203).
- e. Except as indicated above, there have been no major changes in the status of scheduled I/GM projects.

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3. Other

- a. Exploration of the use of machine data processing in certain I/GM research has continued. As a result of recommendations by [REDACTED] ORR 25X1A9a representative to the OCR Committee on Data Processing, regarding the machining of certain special information on MINICARD, it has been decided to code one month's sample in the proposed MINICARD format. This information will then be reproduced on minicards and printed out in the form of a "run". It is expected that this exercise will determine the feasibility of MINICARD in processing this kind of data. The initial coding is almost completed and it is expected that the sample run will be completed by the end of June.
- b. Negotiations with NSA over long standing matters of mutual interest have continued. At the present time a memorandum to the Director, NSA, for the DD/I's signature, which outlines the ORR position, is being coordinated within the DCSI, the DDI, Offices and USAF. It is hoped that this action will result in improved service on the matter in question.

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